

## Treasury Department,

Bureau of the Mint,

Washington, D. C., December 2, 1895.

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Herman Kretz, Esq.,

Superintendent U.S.Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

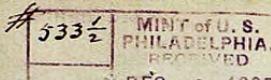
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*R. B. Preston*  
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## SUBJECT:

Authority to cancel  
the contract with Morris  
Chem. Co., 131 So 3<sup>d</sup> St  
Philadelphia, furnishing  
Nitric Acid. (From to  
be imposed Dec 1) before  
amounts to modify  
the chem. co. can compel  
them to pay any different  
for acid purchased in  
the open market and the  
contract fair —

Copy of letter enclosed sent to Chem. Co.  
No. of Inclosures, One (1)

[Abstract:] Authority to annul the contract Moro Phillips Co....

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